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AMONG THE POLITICIANS.

What the Leaders are Doing and Saying.

The Three Sams-Sam Randall's and Sam Cox's Opinion of Sam Tilden-Senator Bayard and His Finance Resolution-Dick Bright's Troubles -A Stupid Capard Exploded, &c., &c.

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"Coupling fidelity to the man and my belief in
his deservings, I candidly think Mr. Tilden should
have another chance."
"Why do you think so?"
"Because he had organized the Democratic party
in the State of New York in 1865, and had been in
recognized leader ever since until the break came
last in!!"

Will not the trouble between him and Kelly ue?", replied the Speaker, "negotiations are go-that will bring harmony to the Democracy w York, so that Tammany and anti-Tam-Tilden and anti-Tilden, will be marching together to victory in 1880." w long before we may expect this happy

event?"
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"Who will elect the next President?"

"The Democrats, of course," said Mr. Randall.

"What is Tilden's great element of strength?"

"I believe the State of New York necessary to the success of the Democratic party in 1880, and that Mr. Tilden can carry it. Therfore, I am determinedly for Mr. Tilden because he can win."

"What about the talk that Tilden will secretly oppose any nomince but himself?"

"It is not true," answered Mr. Randall. "I have talked with Mr. Tilden recently, and he has told me that whoever was nominated by the Democratic party—no matter who it was—he would cheerfully support him." Mr. Randall then spoke his mind freely upon Penusylvania politics, and said, notwithstanding the large Republican majority in Philadelphia in the late election, and the factions which were fighting him, he would be received.

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"It will adjourn by the 1st of May, I think," replied the Speaker.
"What about the financial question?"
"My opinion is that it is best to 'let well enough alone," he said, "and I would so advise. I intend, however, to give my views freely upon the subject later in the session."

THINKS HE'S DEAD.

Mr. Sam. Cox's Opinion of the Situation. "Why we laugh," said Sunset Cox to a National REPUBLICAN envoy at Willard's Hotel on Saturday "is because we have taken Tilden's scalp."

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"How?" responded our emmissary.

"I belong to the Tummany wing of the New York Democracy and supported John Kelly in the regent fight. They laughed at our opposition and said we could not poll 10,000 votes, but we responded with 80,000. That shows the strength of the opposition to Tilden in New York. I tell you we have got Tilden's political corpse."

"But won't your quarrel in New York affect you in the National convention next year?"

"Oh, of continued Mr. Cox; "It was only a State quarrel. We notified Mr. Tilden in advance that we wouldn't support Mr. Robinson if nominated; we did everything for peace honorable men could, and declared our willingness to support any man but Robinson that should be nominated."

"But is Mr. Tilden really dead?"

"Dead as a herring," said Mr. Cox; "he never will get near the Democratic nomination again. He is politically dead and will be forever buried at

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Here Mr. Cox mused a moment over the intricacles of American politics, pulled out the beautiful watch given him by the letter-carriers of New York for his efforts in securing a passage of the bill to increase their salaries, and walked away.

THE FINANCES.

Sr. Bayard's Resolution—An Explanation.

The Senate Finance Committee will meet tomorrow, when Mr. Bayard will undertake to get
ketion upon the resolution recently introduced by
him in the Senate, providing for the destruction of
the legal tender quality of United States notes.

Mr. Bayard has expressed himself as entirely
sonfident that he will be able to get the resolution
put of the committee either on Tuesday or at a very
sarly day, but a poll of the committee would seem
to indicate otherwise, unless the Republicans are
inclined to assist Mr. Bayard to a favorable report,
which hardly seems probable.

When his proposition comes before the Senate he
will probably have more trouble than in the committee, although he claims that he can certainly
count on twenty-three Democratic Senators and
eleven Republicans, which he thinks will insure
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s passage.
It would seem from his conversation that he feels eep interest in the success of his resolution before is Senate, and that he has been industriously working for support among the hard-money men back narries.

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That part of Mr. Bayard's resolution which pro-rides that the United States notes shall not be a legal tender for duties on imports has caused a good feal of comment, especially among the soft-money neu, and Mr. Bayard takes occasion to say that that part of the resolution does not exactly meet his views—that he believes that the Government should receive its notes for such dues, but that by the act of 1862 the faith of the Government is pledged to exact coin for duties on imports and to pledged to exact coin for duties on imports and to maintain it intact to pay the interest on the Na-dional debt. He regards the law of 1862 as a bad me also. He does not express any opinion as to its constitutionality.

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING.

A Democratic Slauder Against Secretary

McGrayy.

The Democrats seem to flatter themselves that they have uncarthed a marc's nest full of eggs affecting the official integrity of Secretary McGrary, and they are spreading it over the country broadcast. When the real facts of the matter are known they will reflect credit upon the honest purposes of the Secretary. The case can be briefed as follows:

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A man named Lazenby was appointed as clerk to the Post Quartermaster, on the recommendation of Secretary McCrary, last January, on the plea that his son-in-law had been disabled in the war by losing hieg, and that he (Lazenby) had to support his family, consisting of a wife and five children. Some two months ago the Secretary received an among monymous letter informing him that 8100 had been paid to a clerk named Johnson in the War Department to secure Lazenby appointment. The Secretary ordered Colonel Rockwell to Investigate the matter, and he examined several witnesses, and among others, Mr. Lazenby himself, who made amdovit that he had sever paid any sum of money, either directly or indirectly, to procure his appointment. The case was dismissed, no proof being adduced to establish the allegation thus anonymously made.

Under a reduction of force in November, Mr. Lazenby was dropped from the rolls of the Post Quartermaster's office, when the Secretary received another anonymous letter of a threatening character, in effect that unless Lazenby was restored to position there would be trouble. It is now made apparent that a son of Lazenby did pay \$100 to 50 housen as alleged. This is all there to of this case, about which a hullado is being made, and if is beingly probable that Johnson's lease of office will impeedify terminate, a searching investigation having been inaugurated which will reveal all the facts.

DICK* BRIGHT.

Polk, who was ousted as doorkeeper of the House.

The charges against Mr. Bright have not emanated from his political enemies, but some of his most violent opponents are in his own party ranks. His distribution of parconage does not appear to have been satisfactory, and all who have not received what they claim as their proportion of the spoils are in for a fight. Some Democratic papers are just now assaulting Mr. Bright in the most violent manner, making the gravest sort of charges against him. One or our vigilant envoys Saturday found Mr. Bright at his office in the Capitol. He looked as unconcerned as though the events of official life were as smooth as an unruffled stream.

"What about these changes Mr. Bright," said our

laborer:

"I have no explanations or defense to make.
My books are open for the investigation of all who
have an inquiring turn of mind. My official acts
are public properly and I think will bear investi-

Dodging a Vote To-day.

The House will probably adjourn to-day immediately after the call of States for the introduction of bills for reference, to cut off the introduction of financial resolutions. It is known that it is the intention of some of the Western members is the intention of some of the Western members to introduce the Fort resolution condemning the President's financial recommendations, and try and pass it under a suspension of the rules. Of course this could not be done but it would put the members upon the record, and the programme is to adjourn so as to avoid action of sity character.

RANDALL FOR TILDEN.

Unswerving Devotion to the Cipher Ogre.

Speaker Randall has been unbosoming himself in relation to his standing with Mr. Tilden to the standing with Mr. Tilden to the gain early, and since its inception I have been unswerving in my fidelity to the main.**

"You are, then, his entures triend?"

"Yes, sir, and I firrally believe that an enormous crime was committed when he was prevented from eccupying the position to which he had been elected."

"Then you are from the renomination of Mr. Tilden!"

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THE UTE COMMISSION.

Satisfactory Result Confidently Expected. Secretary Schurz received the following dispatch last evening:

Los Pinos, Dec. 6.

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Cort Schurz, Secretary Interior:

Closed the testimony yesterday. Demanded the surrender of the parties recognized at the massacre. The list includes the head Chief Douglass. The list includes the head Chief Douglass. The Indians went into council last night and are still in council, They will answer to-morrow. The present indications are that they will accept the ultimatum—surrender of the guilty and aunithilation of the tribal relations. The Indians consider death incidental to surrender and trial. The struggle among themselves has assumed serious proportions. The influence so far is in favor of surrender. A trille, however, may change this at any moment. Haven, Commissioner.

Secretary Schurz in response to inquiry stated that he felt quite sanguine he would receive intelligence to-day that the Indians had yielded to the pressure and determined to accept the conditions imposed by the Department.

The District Attorneyship.

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The Presidential mansion is daily beset by delegations who wait upon the President in the interest of the various candidates for the office of District Attorney of this District, and who seem to retire fully satisfied that they have secomplished the object of their mission. In the report of an interview published on Saturday evening, it is said that the President remarked that "he would like to appoint Major Gaines, as he thought it would be satisfactory." Then again, a Sunday cotemporary says that the appointment of Colonel Corkhill was determined upon late on Saturday evening. It is not at all probable that either of these reports are correct.

THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN holds to the opinion that the position should be given to a bona fide resident of the District, and it is thought that the President is in sympathy with such a view of the case. From the most reliable information obtained touching this question, the opinion obtains, that while the Irresident has made no promises in regard to it. Colonel Corkhili has the inside track in this race, though it is barely possible that a "dark horse" may yet appear on the track.

No Floancial Tinkering Wanted. No Floancial Tinkering Wanted.

Messra. Trask & Francis, New York brokers, in their circular of December 6, say: "The meeting of Congress on Monday gave speculators throughout the country considerable food for reflection, and it is a matter of satisfaction to note that thus far no attempt has been made at Washington to disturb the financial condition of the country. In the interest of all parties concerned it is to be hoped that the financial tinkering of last session will be dispensed with, and that the results that have succeeded resumption will be allowed to continue undisturbed.

The Stolen Documents.

The responsibility for the larceny of the report of the Secretary of the Treasury and the President's message has follow upon the "maker up" in the Freasury branch of the Government Frinting Omce—Mr. Harringer—so far as to cause his removal by Government Frinter Defrees. The evidence secured by the investigation does not show that Mr. Harringer was a party to the theft in any way; but rather that greater precautions on his part would have made the puriolning impossible.

Minor Departmental Notes.

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The Marine Hospital Bureau has received information that the Spanish government has raised the quarantine on all vessels coming from New Orleans, La., by decree published November 21. The bureau is also informed that the total number of cases of cholera during the recent epidemic at Heoga Ken, Japan, was 8,800, of which 4,998 were among men and 3,892 among women.

Chief Justice Fisher, of Wyoming Territory, has tendered his resignation to the President.

The Comptroller of the Currency has declared a dividend of ten per cent, in favor of the creditors of the First National Bank of Kansas City, pavable as soon as the necessary schedules can be prepared, making dividends in all of forty per cent.

C. A. Jones, D. G. Wardell and M. A. French have each been appointed internal revenue store-keeper and gauger for the Second district of Tennessee, and E. B. Fuller for the Fourth district of Maryland. Charles W. Gurney has been appointed storekeeper for the Second district of Iowa, and H. L. Miller for the Seventh district of Indiana.

The Philadelphia mint is coining eagles and half-eagles at an average of \$200,000 worth daily. The larger proportion of this amount is in eagles. It is anticipated that the coinage of this mint during the present month will aggregate ten millions of dollars. Several packages containing samples of money coined and assayed at the mint at Osaka, Japan, during the last fiscal year have been received by the Treasury Department with a request from the Japanese authorities that the coin be assayed at the United States unint in order to verify it sandard flueness. Similar tests heretofore male of Japanese colonge of previous years have exhibited a close correspondence to the standard fixed by law, as also the accuracy with which minting operations in Japan are conducted.

The Governor and Councit Still Obsticate.

Accesta, Dec. 7.—A petition is in circulation here urging upon the Governor and council the necessity of investigating the charges of Charles B. Hounds that the election returns have been tampered with. Messrs, Eaker & Baker stated to the advisory committee yesterday that they were the authorized attorneys for foorteen senators and fifty-live representatives-elect, and that on behalf of all of these, and sometimes accompanied by one or more of them, they had applied to the Governor and conneil for permission to see the returns affecting them. They made request in person whenever they could procure admittance to the council chamber, and have had written applications pending before the council every day since November 17. The mames of several senstors and representatives who made such requests and met with no response were given. The same legal from yesterday sent to the council a detailed statement specifying on information the errors which they think will be found in returns from Franklin, and asking loave to correct the same under the statute of 1877. To deny this request it is stated that the Governor and council will be compelled to enforce their views as to the uncensificationality of that statute, because it distinctly guarantees the right to have such corrections made as are applied for. The Governor and Council Still Obsticate.

The Burmese Embassy.

GEN. GRANT IN CHICAGO

He Attends a Dinner of the Commercial Club.

Large Number of Distinguished Gentlemer Present -Humorous Allusion to the Many Places Proposed for Him-The Presidency of the Club the First One Really Assured - Speeches.

The General Plants a Tree

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Chicago, Duc. 6.—General Grant this afternoon took a hand in the tree-planting at South Park, by invitation of the Park Commissioners. An American weeping elm, seventy years old, was planted, the General handling the spade.

The Chicago Commercial Club, an organization composed of the principal business men of Chicago, gave their annual banquet this evening at the Grand Pacific Hotel. It was an unusually noteworthy affair on account of the large number of distinguished guests from abroad, among the number General Grant, Hou. J. B. Long, Governor and Hon. Alexander H. Riee, ex-diovernor of Massachusetts; John W. Candler, president of the Boston Boston of Commercial Club; F. W. Lincoln, ex-Mayor of Boston, and eleven other gentlemen identified with the Commercial Club and with the commercial interests of Boston; also, H. Wilson Brown, President of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce; Ezra A. Miller, President of the Omha Chamber of Commerce; E. O. Stannard, ex-Governor of Missouri; Alfred Russell, of Detrolt; Robert Donohue, of Burlington, Iowa; Hon. J. F. Wilson, of Iowa, and many others. General Sheridan, Judge Drummond, Elihu Washburne, F. B. Blackstone and Colonel Fred. Grant, from Chicago, were among the guests. The dinner began about 5 o'clock, and was most superb in every appointment and feature.

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President Doane in opening the speech-making welcomed the guests from all sections of the Union, and especially General Grant, now returned to his native State after a long period of travel, which had been one continuous ovation. He proposed the health of General Grant as one of the members of that "Galena ring" whose component parts were of such sterling material.

General Grant being called for, then said: "The allusions of your president to myself have been gratifying on the whole, and the assurances that he has held out to me that if I would settle among you I can receive the unanimous vote of this club for its presidency is the most tempting offer that I have had yet. I have heard of numerous places having been cut out for me before, but this is the only one that I have had any assurance of. But in this case even I am somowhat embarrassed. My understanding before coming here this evening was, that to become a member of this club a man had to represent some industry or other—some one of the great industries which have made our country so great and prosperous—and I am at a loss really to know where I should come in. I do see here one or two of the 'ring' that have been referred to—that' Galena ring—who, I believe, have the honer of being enrolled as members of this club. How they got in is equally puzzling to me. Gentlemen, I thank you very heartily for the honer you have done me, not only in this kind offer you have made to locate me in an honorable and responsible place, but for the way you have received me on the whole," [Vociferous and prolonged applates.]

plause.]
The first toast was "Our Inland and Foreign Commerce—may our inland states develop and become equal in strength to their seaboard sisters."
Governor Bagley, of Michigan, responded in a speech bristling with numer, and which was interrupted by constant outbursts of applause and mer-

riment.

President Candler, of Boston, spoke next, and
was followed by Mayor Rice, of the same city, who
said that the bond of union would and should be
more closely cemented; that the States and cities
should say and feel "what is yours is ours and what

more closely cemented; that the States and cities should say and feel what is yours is ours and what is ours is yours."

To the toast "God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," Governor Long responded. In the course of his remarks he said no one would narrow to State lines the noble names of Lincoln and Grant, Sumner and Adams. They rose above locality—they were the Nation's names.

Erra Miller, of Omaha, in response to the toast "Omaha, the Goteway of the West, Through Which the Facilie Pours its tolden Flood," gave a sketch of the growth, enterprise and prospects of Omaha, General Hornec Porter made a felicitous speech in response to the toast, "War and Commerce." To the toast, "The Great West," the Hon, I. F. Wilson, of lowa, responded. Ex-Governor E. O. Stannard, of St. Louis, replied to the toast, "The Massissippi River and its Tributaries." To the toast "Cincinnati—the Liberality of its Citzens in Embellishing it a Characteristic Worthy of being Copied," Hon, William H. Brown responded. The Hon, E. R. Mudge, of Boston, answering to the toast, "Our Manufacturers," urged that manufacturing was not and should not be confined to the East, it should extend and increase, and permeate the West.

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President Doane introduced as worthy of an endearing place in Chicago's affections M. D. Spani ding, of Boston, whose liberality toward Chicago at the time of our fire was well-known. Mr. Spaulding responded briefly.

Charles Colby, of Milwankee, spoke of the great lakes and their outlets, and after a few more toasts and speeches the company dispersed.

THE SPOFFORD-KELLOGG INVESTI

Return of the Sub-Committee—What They Found and What They Did Not Find.

The sub-committee sent to New Orleans by the United States Senate to investigate in that city the means by which it was alleged by the contestant, H. M. Spofford, William P. Kellogg procured his election as United States Senator from Louisians in January 1877, returned to Washington Saturday and last night. The whole committee with its officers and Senator Kellogg started together from New Orleans Thursday eventing, but at Atlanta Senator Hill, of Georgia, chairman of the sub-committee, Senator Vance, of North Carolina and Mr. "Si'Smalls, the accomplished stenographer, parted company and found their way to this city by different routes. Diligent inquiries by reporters of The NATIONAL REPUBLICAN have elicited some interesting facts connected with the investigation which have not hitherto been made public.

The last two days of the committee's sessions were mainly devoted to the examination of W. B. Phillips, William Ward and E. H. Flowers, all formerly of Grant parish, the first white and the last two colored, respecting whom Mr. Clem Walker, Judge Spofford's counsel before the committee, took especial pains to have it go on record that he had told them, when refusing them further payment on Spufford's account that they were the most numitigated 4—d secondrels in the State of Louisiana, and that their connection with the case had injured Spofford, rather than helped him. Phillips, however, produced a city telegraphic dispatch from Judge Spofford, rather than helped him. Phillips, however, produced a city telegraphic dispatch from Judge Spofford, rather than helped him. Phillips, however, produced a city telegraphic dispatch from Judge Spofford, rather than helped him. Phillips, however, produced a city telegraphic dispatch from Judge Spofford, rather than helped him. Phillips, however, produced a city telegraphic dispatch from Spofford was a support the contents of a letter from Spofford to him to two for him, and 22,000 for the menute of t GATION.

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He Thinks He's a Victum of Sorehendism.

**Ever since Mr. Bright was installed as Sergeantat-Arms of the Senate there has been more or less of discontent with its management of that position. All sorts of charges have been privately made, which include the extravagant purchases of furniture and other things used about the Sonate, and of having more people on his rolls than was authorition for the longer of the Colonel that of the office much resembles that of Colonel that of the office much resembles that of Colonel that of the office much resembles that of Colonel that of the office much resembles that of Colonel that of the office much resembles that of Colonel that of the office much resembles that of Colonel that the adiatrict in Congress. He was appointed by law, so. Indeed, many of his own parity do not lieding to declars that his management of that of colonel that district in Congress. He was appointed by law, so. Indeed, many of his own parity do not lieding to declars that his management of the office of the United States District Court in 1876.

lature—was denounced by him as an absolute forgery and was so accepted by the Democratic members of the committee themselves. He appeared before them, produced a letter he had written Senator Kellogg months before, on hearing a rumor that he was one of the affiliavit makers wrote his name in the presence of the committee at the request of Senator Hill; that signature was compared by Senators Hill and Vance with the alleged affidavit of Milon, and by common consent on the Democratic side the subject was dropped. In passing it may be noted that all the other persons whose affidavits were thus used have testified either that they did not understand the purport of what they signed or that their signatures were forged or that the facts set forth in the affidavits were untrue. This much for the affidavit side of the case.

The only direct evidence adduced against Kellogg was given by the following: Bornhardt, alias Barney Williams, & Polish Jew and professional spay, shown on cross-examination and by direct proof to have been drummed through the streets of New Orleams by the Confederates, with his head and one side of his beard shaved, to have served two terms of ball and chain at Ship Island and Dry Tortugas under Buller's administration to have been arrested for larceny numerous time, and, whose lestimony three ex-recorders of the city, belonging to both political parties, wore had been repeatedly impeached in their courts. A number of prominent Israellite merchants of the city promptly came forward and testified to the infamous cuaracter of Barney Williams, and not one human being could be found to bolster up his evidence.

Francis alias Joseph Garrett, a discharged U. S. Inspector of Customs and discharged employee of the Internal Ravenue Bureau, admitted, under corse-examination, to have been arrested and imprisoned for horse-stealing in Missouri, to have been arrested twice and convicted one of fareeny in New Orleans, to have broken jail once in Shreveport and once in Jackson, Missidasppi (the two last occasion

nation and whose testimony the committee will be asked to strike out.

These, with the much-impeached negro Tom Murray, form the only witnesses who have testified even by hearnay to acts of bribery on the part of Kellorg. On the other hand, ex-Governor Warmoth, United States Attorney A. H. Leonard, General, W. L. McMillen and other prominent members of the legislature testified that it was the universal belief that Kellorg was the only available man for the Packard legislature to elect in the emergency in which they were placed, and under that belief they all acted.

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Not a single member of either house or senate
who voted for Kellogg could be produced to swear
that he either received money for so doing himself
or heard of any one else doing so.

The sub-committee will meet in this city on The sub-committee will meet in this city on Tuesday (to-morrow) to repart progress to the gaineral committee. It will probably be three weeks before the testimony taken by them in New Orleans can be transcribed, so no further action is probable until after the holidays.

The Matter Carried to the Courts for Set

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New York, Dec. 7.—A suit was resently brought in the Marine court by Joseph Mitchell, who was a passenger on the steamship Champion, which was sunk off the capes of Delaware on November 9 through collision with the British bark Lady Octavia, against the owners of the steamship to receiver \$1,000 damages for personal injuries and loss of property. On Thursday last the steamship company presented a petition for a libel in the United States District Court, in which the petitioners set forth the beginning of the suit by Mitchell, and allege that the injury, loss and damage to him did not result from any negligence on the part of the company; that the Champion was stanch, seaworthy and properly manned, officered and controlled, and that the fault was occasioned by reckless and improper management on the part of those in charge of the Lady Octavia. With a view of bringing all the parties who may have claims against the steamship company into one action, and with a view of determining and timiting the liability of the company in the matter of the collision, the petitioners abandoned the steamer and cargo for the benefit of the claimants, and eaked to have a trustee appointed to take control of the property, and that the court grant a motion to the claimants enjoining them from bringing any other suits. The motion and injunction petitioned for were granted yesteriay by Judge Choate in the United States District Court, and Samuel H. Lyman, clerk of the court, was appointed trustee.

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Destructive Conflagration at Troy, N. Y. Destructive Couflagration at Troy, N. Y.

Thoy, Dec. 7.—At 6 o'clock this morning a fire broke out in Sutherland's bolier shop, on the west side of River street. A heavy wind was blowing at the time and the flames immediately communicated with adjoining buildings, destroying one occupied as a bolier shop, a machine shop and Monk & Hawley's laundry, another building occupied by Miller & Bingham, Huestis & Duzenbury, Marshali & Briggs, Bowman & Sons and Davis & Co.—all shirt and collar manufacturers—and Browns' machine shop. The mailt-house of Fitzerald Brothers, on the north side, was damaged to the extent of \$5.950, but was saved by the efforts of the entire fire department, which was promptly on hand at the first slarm. One firman was injured by a falling wall, and one jumped into the river to save himself from falling timber. The fire crossed to the east side of River street, burning to the ground six tenement houses and the German Lutheran church. The fire was under control at 9 o'clock this morning. The losses aggregate over \$50.000. Sutherland's loss amounts to \$114,000, and Miller & Burgham's to \$139,000. The insurance on the property destroyed amounts to \$162,000. Eighteen hundred employes, 1,500 of whom are girls, are thrown out of employment. The shirt and cotton manufacturers will resume business without delay. The fire was the largest that has occurred in Troy since 1862.

Hotel at Sharon Springs Burned.

Sharon Springs N. Y., Dec. 8—2 a.m.—There is a great conflagration here this morning. About midnight the United States Hotel was discovered to be on fire, and at 1,30 a. m. the hotel was in lance.

A Missing Maunager.

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By Louis, Mo., Dec. 6.—Max Maretzek, the manager and director of the Maretzek English Opera Company, now performing at the Grand Opera House in this city, has been missing since Thursday morning. When last seen he was pacing the rotunds of the Lindell Hote! in a nervous manner, and remarked to a friend that he would go out and take a walk. Since that time he has not been seen, nor are his wherealtonis known. Financial embarrassments are supposed to be the cause of his disappearance. appearance.
St. Louis, Dec. 7.—Up to a late hour to-night nothing had been heard of Max Maretzek. His company will disband in a day or two.

Narrow Escape on a Railroad Track Narrow Escape on a Railroad Track.

Naw York, Dec. 7.—This morning Joseph Murray was driving his wagon and horses past the Tremont station on the Harlem railroad. There was no flagman at the crossing, and a gravel-trato came along just as he was crossing the track. The engine struck the horses and threw them and the wagon against the switch house. Both horses were killed and the wagon demoished, but the driver excaped uninjured. Two of the railroad cars were weeked, but, although there were seventy laborers on the tain, no one was injured.

Arrest of Counterfeiters.

San Francisco Dec. 7.—A Los Angelos dispatch

BAN FRANCISCO. Dec. 7.—A Los Angelos dispatel ays another one of the gang of counterfeiters ha-seen arrested. He gave his name as James Graham On his person was found a shipping receipt for a package which was intercepted and found to contain a complete kit of counterfeiters tools, dies and molds for making spurious \$5 pieces. The man who was arrested yesterday gives the name of O'Rourke. He says he is a native of Canada. He farnished the information which led to the arrest of Graham. A New Railroad Combination.

Bostos, Dec. 7.—Arrangements were completed and the papers signed in this city Saturday afternoon effecting the long-proposed union of the Archison, Topicka & Santa Fe, the St. Louis & San Francisco and the Chicago, & Alton Railroad Companies for the bublishing of a joint line from Albuquerque, on the Rio Grande river, New Mexico (the present terminus of the Atchison, Topicka & Santa Fe line) to the Pacific coast, probably reaching San Francisco and San Diago.

A Cable Project.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL TOPICS.

The Programme Mapped Out for the Institute.

me Learned Instructors Who Will be Present-Questions to be Discussed at the Meetings-Dr. Vincent to Peach and Lecture-Order of Exercises and Arrangements for the Three Days.

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THE RIFLEMEN.

Three Matches at the Bennings' Ranges Saturday.

There were three ritle matches at the ranges at Bennings' Saturday. The day was decidedly unfavorable to good shooting. It was mining much of the time while the long-range match was being shot. Mr. W. M. Farrow, the acknowledged champion short-range rilloman, was present and took part in the off-hand match. It was regretted by the members of the Columbia Association that Mr. Farrow did not came prepared to shoot with them at long range, especially as they believed he could not carry off the honors so easily at long range. The off-hand match, which began at 11 o'clock, resulted as follows:

W. M. FARROW.

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THOMAS TEMPLETON. 200 yards—3 3 4 3 3 3 3 5 3 2...... 300 yards—3 4 5 0 2 2 2 3 0 4......

meeting was opened with appreciative music by the church choir, Professor flishoff officiating at the organ, and a Scriptural lesson by Dr. Rankin. After prayer by Secretary Morse of the Young Men's Christian Association, Dr. Rankin made an impressive address of welcome, which was replied to by Hon, D. P. Holloway, president of the Dashaway Cinb. The meeting at this point was intervupied by a fire in a stable adjoining the church. After the fire subsided the meeting was again called to order, and was addressed by vice-president R. D. Graham, Frank Reeside, Alexander Eagleston and James C. Lee. Notwithstanding the interruption by the fire, the meeting was spirited, and a large number signed the pledge. Miss Ewan saby a solo admirably. The Dashaways meet in Talimadge Hall next Sunday night.

THE LOTIERY MAIL CASE.

Proceedings in Court Saturday-The Post-

Panic at a Temperance Meeting at the Congregational of the Dashaway Society at the Congregational of the Dashaway Society at the Congregational church last night a fine broke out in a stable in the rear of the church and considerable excitement cased. Rev. Dr. Rinkin, pastor of the church, announced that there was a fire in the alley near the church and advised the congregation if they desired to leave the church not to rush out, but go quietly and singly. His remarks tended to restrain the crowd somewhat, but, nearing the doors, a rash began, during which several persons were pretty roughly handled, but no serious accident occurred. The fire was found to be in a brick stable in the rear of No. 10% G street northwest, used by Mr. E. O. Caverly, the gas-fifter under Massinic Temple. The Fire Department responded quickly to the alarm from box 131, but were unable to save the building in which the fire originated, confining their attention to the adjoining buildings. Two valuable liorses, a wagon and the other contents of the stable were entirely consumed, entailing a loss of \$400 to Mr. Caverly, fully covered by insurance. When the excitement incident to this interruption had subsided the temperance foiles called another meeting, and "all went as merry as a marriage bell."

Philharmonic Society.

Association of Veteraus of Mexico. Association of Veteraus of Mexico.

The local association of the survivors of the Mexican, war held their regular monthly meeting on Saturday eventing and enrolled two new members, to wit: W. L. Farrin, who served in Company A ofthe First Missouri volunteer Infantry, and Antonia Blondi, master of the band in the United States frigate Cumberland during the Mexican war.

The secretary, Mr. A. M. Kenaday, read a number of letters from gentlemen who had been invited to participate with the local association in the exercises connected with the unveiling of the statue of General George H. Thomas on the light ultimo, explaining the reasons which prevented acceptance of the invitations, including letters from General John Love, Indiapolis, Ind. General Really, of Baltimore: Major H. A. Medienan, of Boston; Colonel Osmond Feters, of Fortsmouth, Vas. Captain S. L. Phelps, Captain A. W. Thompson and others.

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... 36 After transacting the usual routine business the meeting adjourned.

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Many persons visited St. Faui's Methodist Epistopal church, in South Washington, where the colored emigrants are quartered, vesterday, and winessed the interesting though pitiable scenes about the church. Sabbath services were conducted in the morning by Rev. Mr. Draper, the paster of the church. Among the enigrants is one white women of the power class in the South, who tells a story of oppersoin as and as that told by any of her colored companions. The committees appointed to raise funds are hard at work. The Congregational church has been secured for next Friday alght, when a concert will be given for the aid of the refugees, the price of admission being fixed at twenty five cents. It is probable that Colonel Robert & Ingersoil will lecture for the benefit of these people, though no day has yet been set for the derivery of the lecture.

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IRISH LAND AGITATORS.

A Visit to the Orator, Brennan, in Jail.

His Arrest not Unexpected-He Defends Ilia Action and will Repent It the First Opportunity-A Surrender of Ten-

nots - A Widow Tenant's Crops Burned-Sympathetle Meetings, &c.

The Land Troubles in Ireland.

St. Louis, Dec 7.—Extensive arrangements have been made for the mass-meeting of Irish citizens and others to be held to morrow hight to consider the best means of extending aid to the needy peasants of Iriand. The Enights of St. Patrick have dunated \$500 from the funds of the society for this purpose, and individual members will make liberal contributions.

Canadian Sympathy.

MONTHEAL, Dec. 7.—In reference to the meeting to be held in this city to-marrow in connection with the troubles in Ireland an officer of one of the societies says there will simply he a conference of the presidents and officers of the St. James, St. Patrick, Young Irishmen and St. Bridget Societies, The clergy were waited on to-day to ascertain if they would sanction house to-house collection for the relief of the distressed rish farmers. It was suggested, the officer said, that a resolution condemning the British government be combined with that originating the railef that a resolution condemning the British govern-ment be combined with that originating the relief fund, but many of the clergy and others would be strongly opposed to harassing the government in any way. The business of Monday evening will be confined to organizing a charitable scheme. It is possible, however, that a mass-meeting will be held, at which the political aspect of the question will be discussed.

SUNDAY LAW.

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Cincinnati Dec. 7.—Last night the police commissioners issued an order directing the superintendent of the police to arrest all persons found performing on Sunday in any of the theatrical, variety or concert shows. The result was that most of the shows that usually open on Sunday closed their doors, but at Henck's Opera House and one or two others, performances began. The police promptly arrested everybody they could find violating the order, and about fifty persons were taken before a justice, all of whom gave ball. To night not a theatre or concert hall is open where more than twenty size usually in full blast. The proprietors claim that they are violating in law, and they look with confidence to acquittal. Of the places of amusement affected by the order the firand Opera House is the most important. Hearts of Oak, by the Hearne-Corcorna combination, was advertised there for to night for the last time, but had to be postponed. The front of the theatre was surrounded by a crowd all day. Only those having engaged seats were permitted to pass the police to get their money returned. The performers at Henck's supporting Laura Alberta in the sensational drama "Fifine," were arrested to-day. The place ranks next to the fraund Opera-House, and is a legitimate place of amusement in the quality of sittractions, although beer is soid to the andience during the performance.

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TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY. General Charles Spancer, on the retired list of the nited States army, died at Carlisle, Pa., on Satur-

day.

One thousand dollars were netted at the Hood benefit at Baidwin's Theatre at San Francisco Saturilay slight.

The steamers Planter and Pope Cattin collided in a fog in Baitmore harbor on Saturday. The Cattin was not ashore to prevent her sinking.

The centennial anniversary of the death of Count Pulaski at Savannah, in 1779, was celebrated by Polish residents of New York on Saturday.

The Masouri State Graupe has issued a circular. The Missouri State Grange has issued a setting forth the advantages Missouri e The police of New York made a descent upon a lottery office kept by Frank Moore, who, with ten other men, were arrested and taken to police head-

devertor Marks of Tennessee has issued a call, onvening the legislature to levy a tax on property i Memphis for the improvement of the streets of her city to A fire at the works of the Consumers' Mutual Gas ompany in Baltimore on Saturday night damaged be machinery to the extent of \$2,000, but did not top the supply of gas.

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Ira C. Canfield, senion member of the firm of Canfield, Brother & Co., of Baltimore, dropped dead of apoplexy in his store on Saturday evoding. Hawas seventy one years old.

Harvard, Yale, Dartmouth, Brown, Amherst and Princeton colleges have organized an "American College Base Ball Association," and adopted the rules of the National Associations. Howard Townsends, of Harvard, was chosen president and J. F. shipley, of Yale, secretary.

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Three siak children were burned to death in Beilevue Hospital, New York, on Saturday. Fifteen sick women and five children were removed from the burning portion of the building. One woman, sick with the consumption, died from fright, and Policeman Smith was badly burned in rescuing the women.

To-day is the feast of the Intunestate Conception, and will be observed in all the Catholic churches in the city. Services will be beld as the same hour on Sandays except at Si. Matthew's church, their vespers will be celebrated at 7 o'clock p. m., i which the choir will render the grand vespers y La Jeal.

Postmaster Edmunds' Condition. Postmaster Editionals was restling quiletly at an early hour libs morning. His physician, Dr. Hiller, states that his recovery is hopeness, and his death is only a question of three or lour days.